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Viewing cable 08ASHGABAT379, ASHGABAT SURVEILLANCE DETECTION PROGRAM

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Understanding cables

Every cable message consists of three parts:

- The top box shows each cable's unique reference number, when and by whom it originally was sent, and what its initial classification was.
- The middle box contains the header information that is associated with the cable. It includes information about the receiver(s) as well as a general subject.
- The bottom box presents the body of the cable. The opening can contain a more specific subject, references to other cables ([browse by origin](#) to find them) or additional comment. This is followed by the main contents of the cable: a summary, a collection of specific topics and a comment section.

To understand the justification used for the classification of each cable, please use this [WikiSource](#) article as reference.

Discussing cables

If you find meaningful or important information in a cable, please link directly to its unique reference number. Linking to a specific paragraph in the body of a cable is also possible by copying the appropriate link (to be found at the paragraph symbol). Please mark messages for social networking services like Twitter with the hash tags **#cablegate** and a hash containing the reference ID e.g. **#08ASHGABAT379**.

Reference ID	Created	Released	Classification	Origin
08ASHGABAT379	2008-03-26 11:44	2011-08-30 01:44	CONFIDENTIAL	Embassy Ashgabat

Appears in these articles:

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E.O. 12958: DECL: 03/26/2018
TAGS: [AMGT](#) [APER](#) [ASEC](#)
SUBJECT: ASHGABAT SURVEILLANCE DETECTION PROGRAM
REF: A. 07 ASHGABAT 551 B. 07 ASHGABAT 619 C. 07

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ASHGABAT 1050 F. ASHGABAT 35 G.
SURVEILLANCE DETECTION MANAGEMENT AND
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032008 SUBJ: SD TEAM -
ASHGABAT

Classified By: Derived From: 2008 Ashgabat 00035 dated 01/08/2008

1. (U) This is an action request, please see paragraph 6.
2. (C) Reftels correctly assert that Embassy Ashgabat's Surveillance Detection (SD) operations have been severely restricted by the Government
3. (C) Efforts to seek approval to continue SD operations with the GOT have met with negative results. In a recent meeting with President Berdimuhamedov,
4. (C) Through natural attrition, the SD Team has reduced its size from 14 to 11 persons. There are currently two vacant Local Guard Force (LGF) positions.
5. (C) RSO continues to make use of the additional manpower afforded by this suspension by implementing members of the SD Team into LGF operations.
6. (C) In order to maintain the integrity of the SD program, post is strongly requesting authorization to permanently maintain the SD Coordinator position.
7. (U) Your point of contact for this information is XXXXXXXXXXXX.
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